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1. Vertical suitcase without rigid frame whose faces consist of supple material, the rigidification of the suitcase being achieved by two tubes (3) joining a lower surface part (2') and an upper supporting surface part (2) of the aforesaid supple material, the tubes consisting of guides for the rods (14) of a retractable handle (4) in the upper part (2), the upper and lower parts being in the form of a plate or sheet of semirigid plastic of incurvated form defining at least the upper and lower rounded arrises (12, 12') of the rear face (7) of the suitcase.

2. Suitcase according to claim 1 in which the plastic is a semirigid plastic.

3. Suitcase according to claim 1 in which the upper and lower surface parts constitute the separate elements forming upper shell and lower shell.

4. Suitcase according to any of the claims 1 through 3 in which the incurvated form of the lower part or shell (2') is imposed by the curved extremity of the above mentioned tubes

(3), the incurvated form of the upper part or shell (2) being imposed by the lateral retaining rings (1), preferably metallic retaining rings, provided in the form of two lateral frames defining the lateral faces in flexible material.

5. Suitcase according to any of the claims 1 through 4 in which the aforesaid parts (2, 2') are in the form of a polyethylene sheet or plate.

6. Suitcase according to any of the claims 1 through 3 in which the part (2) is in rigid plastic.

7. Suitcase according to the preceding claims comprising wheels (5) in the rounded arris (12') of the lower part or shell.

8. Suitcase according to the preceding claim in which there are three wheels (5) in line.

9. Suitcase according to any of the preceding claims characterized in that the sheet constituting the upper part or shell (2) does not support at least a front part (16) of

the upper face of the suitcase.

10. Suitcase according to the (preceding claim) characterized in that a zip fastener opening, for example an opening zipper (20) provided on the front face of the suitcase, extends up to at least the aforesaid front part (16), preferably between 10% and 50%, preferably 15 to 40%, of its surface, enabling a partial opening of the upper face.

11. Suitcase according to claim 3 in which the shell or part (2') is attached, for example by riveting, to the exterior of the incurvated extremities of the tubes (3).

12. Suitcase according to the preceding claim characterized in that the extremity of the tubes 3 is incurvated with flattening, the riveting to the plate being effected at the aforesaid flattenings.

13. Assembly of suitcases according to claims 1 through 9 provided with wheels, of different dimensions constituting a set of suitcases, disposed head to foot one in the other.

14. Assembly according to the preceding claim in which

there are more than 5 vertical suitcases stacked head to foot one in the other.

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